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INTRODUCTION

There is an eternal purpose in the heart of God, to bring the Church to the level of victory that Christ ordained for believers, through the manifold wisdom He has revealed. The Church is moving from the realm of doctrines to the realm of mysteries - uncovering the hidden wisdom of God for technical victories on the earth.

Anyone who cannot see this move will fall a victim. Being sensitive to the movement of the cloud, is the safest way to move from Egypt to Canaan. The Church is moving, not to catch-up with the world, but to go constantly ahead of it. We have come to the wisdom era of the Church, where incontestable results become our evidence.

Everything that is disobeying the law of discipline, has more to it than the human strength can handle. You need to appreciate the spiritual force of freedom. That is your only way out; otherwise when you are caught and wedged-in by any of these strange influences stronger than your natural ability, you are eternally helpless.

Principalities and powers are involved - organised and commanded, and regimented by Satan himself.

The involvement of Satan in the corruption of man, makes it humanly impossible for man to free himself. There is no accused person, who can post bail for himself. Every time you are caught-up in sin, you are under arrest. You need a recognised authority to bail you.

The Blood of Jesus, is that authority!

The blood of Jesus is your guarantee for bail. It offers you the privilege of being discharged and acquitted, so that you can walk in liberty all the days of your life.

True freedom requires divine intervention. Your freedom must therefore have its roots in Christ, and in the things that are provided for your liberty. Then you will be complete in Him.

It is time for the Church to be complete, and we can only be complete in Him in the provisions He has made, not in our abilities and expertise.

Satan is the master-mind of all the acts that make man become an enemy of God. He must be confronted with the right instrument, otherwise, you keep struggling.

Satan is the man of sin, and knowing that his time is short, he has come down on humanity with a great wrath, and he is accusing the Saints of God day and night. So, we must be firing back with the instrument of freedom, day and night. Decision is inadequate, neither can self-control handle Satan. Only accredited, certified weapons of divine intervention can fix him where he belongs.

The Blood of Jesus is it!

It is the divine provision for man's freedom from every satanic dimension of corruption. It is what it takes to silence the opposition. It is the ultimate for our victory.

God has nothing extra to offer after the blood. When the blood came on the scene in Exodus chapter 12, Pharaoh gave up. The blood is God's last card!

This book is loaded with the mysterious place of the blood of Jesus, for man's access to God, for the believers' effectiveness in His presence, for their ability to stand in the discoveries made from 'The Book', and much more.

May the Holy Spirit open your eyes, that as you go through this book, you will begin to walk in unquestionable dominion above challenges, which we have as our inheritance.

There is tangible power in the Blood of Jesus!

Chapter 1 - RETURN TO EDEN

It all started in Eden.

God made man a king and placed him in a garden of fulfilment - the Garden of Eden.

Eden was a garden of mysteries. It was a place of dominion, authority, strength, health and all the blessings of God. It was a garden of encounter, where man had the privilege of communing with God physically, in the cool of everyday.

It was a garden of excellence and of triumph. Eden was an earthly picture of heaven. No animal had power to hurt, all the animals that are wild today were well tamed then. It was a place of security.

Man in Eden, was everything God created him to be. In his mental excellence, he singularly named all of the animals, and whatever name Adam called them, is the name by which they are called till today.

Man was divinely provided for in Eden; he lacked nothing. He was in charge.

Then SIN came, and man lost everything! He was chased out of Eden into a life of wilderness and deserts. The forces of sin went into force, generating the greatest conflicts in man's life. Sin is deceptive and destructive! Sin is the only recognised barrier to man's return to Eden.

THE WAY BACK

Unrighteousness chased man out of Eden; only righteousness can bring him back. Those who follow after righteousness are the ones who will be restored back to Eden.

God wills to bring us back to Eden, if we will let Him cleanse us from all iniquities. Every sin that is not dealt with has power to deal with the sinner.

Because Balaam refused to stop covetousness, covetousness stopped him (Numbers 22:32-33). Because of greed, Gehazi ran after Naaman and got for his inheritance, the leprosy of Naaman (II Kings 5:26-27). If Samson had stopped a day before his calamity, it would not have befallen him.

There are things you must stop today or you will never have the opportunity to stop them, and eternal regrets will follow. Stop that sin before it stops you!

There is no sin that cannot be stopped, but a decision is the pre-requisite. God can't commune with you and I except we let evil go, on a deliberate, violent level. The price to be paid is not comparable to the weight of glory that is lost to shame and reproach.

Jesus lived in Eden because He lived without sin. He was tempted at all points, yet without sin (Hebrews 4:15). It is a conscious and deliberate act that results in the Edenic order of life.

You cannot wish your way to Eden, you have to plant one. Jesus planted an Eden; so He lived in it. Eden is a garden of communion between man and God. Jesus kept that communion and thus exercised dominion to the end. God, the Father was always backing Him: "*And He that sent me is with me*" (John 8:29). So, He had unchallengeable dominion over the affairs of life. He lived a translated life throughout, because He walked with God; He walked on the water; He devastated death. He made a deliberate choice to create His Eden; it was not by luck.

Eden is your inheritance in Christ and righteousness is your access. Genuine encounter is always on the premise of righteousness.

Be willing to cross over from bondage to liberty, from death to life, from degradation to beautification and from pains to ease. Your decision against sin

is your master decision in life, and there has to be a decision before deliverance. The only authentic flight back to Eden is *righteousness*.

Let us, therefore, go over to our camp, so we can begin to experience the provisions of Eden in our lives. Let us go over from adversity to liberty, from self to God, from lack to plenty, from lust to love, from scarcity to surplus, from fear to faith, from failure to success.

By destiny, we belong to the side of dominion, of authority, of power, of holiness, of love. Let us go over! God has made adequate provisions for our going over. He has designed prophetically, to bring Zion back to Eden.

For the Lord shall comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

Isaiah 51:3

HOW WILL HE DO IT?

As for thee also, BY THE BLOOD of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein there is no water.

Zech. 9:11

Every bondage terminates at the blood! As we see in Exodus, every miracle was performed, every effort was made by God through Moses, to free Israel from Egyptian bondage, but until the blood was introduced (Exodus 12), there was no deliverance for them. The blood is God's last resort, God's last card for man's deliverance. After the blood, Moses never again said, "Let my people go!", rather, it was Pharaoh who now frantically wanted them gone.

When you are saved, you enter into the blood covenant - it is your stronghold. It is the passover blood that speaks "passover", to every evil.

The blood covenant is God's last card for man's deliverance. It is the last straw that must break every camel's back. No force in hell can resist it!

You will never get out of your Egypt, without the application of the blood.

Only the blood has the atoning power over sin (I Corinthians 5:7). The blood holds the key to freedom from every yoke of bondage.

Chapter 2 - WHAT IS IN THE BLOOD?

Every time you say, “The Blood of Jesus!”, you are bringing God’s very life on the scene.

What makes the blood produce is the very life of God that is being invoked, because the life of the flesh is in the blood (Lev 17:11). Whatever Jesus is, His blood is.

Every time you invoke the blood of Jesus in faith, you are bringing God on the scene, and He has never been known to fail. Every time you plead the blood, God takes over the battle and when He stretches forth His hand, who shall turn it back?

If unto God all things are possible, then unto the blood, all things are possible too!

THE PASSOVER BLOOD

There is another dimension of Satan which I believe he stole from heaven. He is present in more than one place at a time. He has distributed himself into all his angels. That is why we hear the word 'devils'.

His name is Satan who is also called the devil. So for there to be 'devils' means that there are more than one devil, and we are aware that it was only one devil that came down. That means he placed his name on his principal officers, delegating his entire power to them.

You know God never came down to lead Israel. He sent an angel before them and placed His name upon that angel. So Satan also placed his name upon his angels. Consequently, right now, you can find about 10,000 (ten thousand) people on the earth that Satan has made mad at the same time. There are accidents happening now in more than 1,000 places on earth, personally caused by Satan. So, he is present in many places at the same time.

But you can keep him off your territory by the blood!

It was the blood of goats that kept off the death angel in Egypt.

You know why Satan could not show up on Mount Carmel? Blood was shed there! It was the mountain of blood, so there was no way he could come near. Because there is a law that says "PASSOVER!" and that law is to the children of Israel and their generations after them (Exodus 12:24-25). So, when that blood appeared on that mountain, Satan was rendered impotent. He could not dare it. It was a mount of "PASSOVER" blood.

Every morning, as you wake up, say, "I cover myself with the blood of Jesus", and you become a "no trespass" territory to Satan. When you have the blood cover, you are secured from the torture, the afflictions and the horrors of Satan.

The blood is a singular devastating weapon against Satan. He has not got an answer to it and never will.

All that was needed to keep him off is that it must be a lamb without blemish, and Jesus knew no sin (I Peter 1:18-19). He was the most worthy of all the lambs that effected passover, and He thus became our eternal passover lamb. So, with our passover blood in place, Satan is eternally helpless.

The blood is to be applied against the wicked plans of the enemy. If the enemy is out day and night against you, then you should be out day and night too, with your armoury - The Blood of Jesus!

Every time you plead the blood of Jesus, you have turned a switch on in heaven. That blood begins to speak, "Passover". By the blood of Jesus, every evil shall pass over you.

THE BLOOD STRONGHOLD

For all flesh is like grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away, But the word of the Lord endureth forever. And this is the word...

I Peter 1:24-25

As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water. Turn you to (the) strong hold, ye prisoners of hope...

Zechariah 9:11-12

We have our stronghold in the blood, against the corruption that is in the world.

We have always depended on our strength and we fall all the time, under the heavy weight of our minds. But there is security in the Blood of Jesus!

How often we experience the withering of the grass and the falling-away of the flowers! This is because we have turned our eyes from the strongholds, and are living in our “weakholds”.

Have you not heard that by strength shall no man prevail?

There is no all-seasons flower, all flowers fall away at one time or the other. Even so, just the elegance or charisma of our faith, cannot hold us through the challenges of life. We need to take-cover in the stronghold.

If you can be lured out of the blood-shield, just like the prodigal son was lured out of his father’s house, you become a pitiable case. Refuse to leave your stronghold. That you ‘wither’ in your decisions and fall like the flowers, is because you have decided to trust in the arm of flesh. The blood is your rescue! Outside the blood, you are running a risk.

Every time you hear of the arrows of the wicked, enter the stronghold - declare “I take cover in the blood of Jesus!”

The blood is your stronghold!

As long as we abide in our stronghold, we are secured.

I will like you to recognise the stronghold nature of the blood of Jesus. It is mightier than a tower.

THE BLOOD PURGES

The blood of Jesus is the instrument for purging the inside of man, which is the platform for the operation of every evil. From within the heart proceed adultery, malice, fornication, stealing, strife, anger, and the likes. But the blood of Jesus has the power to make your mind infertile to evil thoughts.

For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Hebrews 9:13-14

No technique of life can handle the conscience. You must keep sprinkling your heart with the blood of Jesus, that you might be purged of every evil work. Man cannot get to his conscience to correct it. But God has devised a means to get across to your inside, so that your outside can be clean also. Mark 7:18-20, tells us that it is not what enters into a man that defiles him but, *“That which cometh out of the man...”*

If you cannot stop the thoughts, you cannot stop the action! So we need to get to where the thoughts are cultivated and devastate the place, then you need not worry about the acts anymore, because man’s defiling is a product of his thoughts. His thoughts set the pace for his pollution and corruption, and a man has no power over his thoughts. So he needs to get what God has provided to rout the thoughts, where the evils are manufactured.

And having an high priest over the house of God;

Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:21-22

The Word can wash the body, only the blood can purge the conscience. That is, whatever your body is required to do, the Word can provide the grace to do it, but when it is the conscience, the blood is required.

FREEDOM FROM LEPROSY

Leprosy represents any curse, any 'but' in your life. It is also a visible reproach that ostracises an individual from the community of men. Whatever makes you a by-word and a proverb among men can also be defined as leprosy.

Every leprosy is cleansable. Every shame is removable. Leprosy is basically an external affliction. Anything that puts a question mark on your christianity is a form of leprosy. Everything that makes men despise your salvation is leprosy. Whatever is impeding your shining is a leprosy. Whatever makes you a misfit in the company of men is leprosy. But thank God you can be cleansed, by the atoning, cleansing blood of Jesus!

We have crossed over, and we must have things to show for it. Your reproaches must be over. Your shame must be rolled away. Expose the leprose area of your life to Him. He is the only one who can handle it.

The general leprosy of man which banished him from God's presence was purged by the blood; man cannot gain access back to God, except by the blood. Every leprosy on earth today can also be subjected to the operation of the blood.

And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,

This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought unto the priest:

And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper;

Then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two birds alive and clean, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:

And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water:

As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the running water:

And he shall sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose into the open field.

Leviticus 14:1-7

Every picture in the Old Testament is a shadow of things to come. Christ is the reality of those shadows (Colossians 2:16-17). There is only one accredited priest who has the sole authority to remove the 'but' in everyone's life. His name is Jesus, the Son of God! Man can organise your freedom from prison, but he cannot wipe away the shame of having been in prison from you. Jesus is the Priest that takes care of leprosy.

From an analogy drawn from various scriptures, we see that Jesus shed His blood seven times:

In Isaiah 50:6, they plucked His beard. That drew blood from Him.

In Luke 22:44, He sweated blood.

In Matthew 27:29, they put a crown of thorns upon His head. That drew blood from Him.

In Matthew 27:26, they laid stripes on His back, they scourged Him, and with each stripe, they drew blood from Him.

In Psalm 22:16, they pierced His hands and blood gushed out.

Also in Psalm 22:16, they pierced His feet, and blood flowed.

In John 19:34, they pierced His sides and blood gushed out.

Jesus shed His blood seven times! So, you can be free from all forms of leprosy!

Chapter 3 - THE REDEMPTIVE VALUE OF THE BLOOD

Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:12-14

There is translation power in the blood!

By the blood connection, we now enjoy the status that Jesus possesses.

Our redemption by the blood has made us worthy to become partakers of the inheritance of the saints of light, and has delivered us from the power of darkness into the kingdom of His dear Son.

By the blood, He took us from under the domain of the devil and brought us unto Himself.

Through the blood, we are presented holy, unblamable and unprovable in His sight. By that placement, all things come under our authority. All things that are under His authority automatically come under us.

We were once alienated, now He has drawn us near by His blood.

You cannot become worthy of your inheritance except by the blood. You cannot be totally delivered from the power of darkness, except by the blood. You cannot be translated into the kingdom of His own dear Son, except by the blood. You cannot enter into heaven without the blood, so how can you sit together with Him in the heavenly places? Because all things are purged by the blood! So, the blood is your guarantee for access to the throne of God, and when you are seated at the throne of God, every other thing bows to you.

JUSTIFIED BY THE BLOOD

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Romans 5:9

By the blood of Jesus, we have justification which guarantees deliverance from wrath. There are two avenues of wrath on the earth - the wrath of the devil (Revelation 12:12), and the wrath of God (Hebrews 12:29).

Whether from the wrath of God or that of the devil, we have the blood defence, because we are justified by the blood, to be saved from wrath through Him. Friend, you are in a wrath-free territory! Every wickedness targeted against you must fail! The wrath of God is pacified by the blood. He said in Exodus 12:13,

...and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

As for the wrath of the devil, the Bible says:

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb...

Revelations 12:11

God has justified you by His blood, who can be against you? Who shall lay anything to your charge?

Moreover, whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified...

Romans 8:30

Satan has, therefore, no right to condemn you. Condemnation is the sole prerogative of Christ, the one that died. But the Bible says when He sees the blood, He will pass over you. This means that no force in hell is strong enough to condemn your destiny. Jesus is not programming condemnation for you. He is making intercessions for you. He is standing in the gap for your liberty, not your captivity, not your failure, nor your poverty. Every time you plead the blood, He shows it to the Father, pleading your liberty.

Because it is only Christ who can condemn, your liberty on earth is thus eternal - by the blood of Jesus.

You are safe from all wickedness through His blood.

THE BLOOD INHERITANCE

The blood is not only for a covering and defence, it is also our ticket to the promise of eternal inheritance.

Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us...

And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that...they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

Hebrews 9:12,15

We have an inheritance in the blood. Jesus shed His blood to obtain for us, not for Himself. By His blood, He has brought man to his original inheritance.

WHAT IS THE ORIGINAL INHERITANCE OF MAN?

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion...

Man was made in the image of God and His very likeness - that is, to be sin-free, as God is.

Man was made to have dominion over every other creation of God. He was also designed for blessings. This is the original inheritance of man that was lost to sin, and now the blood of Jesus has re-purchased it for us. This is why the devil can no longer toy around with you.

If you appreciate the instrument of purchase, the instrument of transaction, and you have an understanding of how to operate it, you become too much for the devil.

If you know that this original inheritance has been purchased back to you, you become extra violent in your exercise of dominion. We have been redeemed unto Him to dominate. Without the blood, we are eternally limited.

Before Jesus comes, we will become dominion stars. Satan is no longer in charge! All power in heaven and on earth was handed over to Jesus after resurrection, and from that time on. Jesus legally holds the reins of the heavens and the earth. He chose to give the dominion of the earth to the children of men (Psalm 8:6). Whosoever believes, therefore, is baptised into dominion on the earth, and Satan is angry about this. So, he has decided to continue fighting, and we have decided to continue winning.

Dominion is no longer in the custody of Satan. It has been returned to man, and whosoever believes in Jesus Christ, becomes a force to be reckoned with on the earth. You are that individual! (I John 5:5).

THE 7 SEALS OF BLESSINGS

Jesus was slain, to receive for humanity what was lost by the first Adam. This is a redemption value in the blood.

And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book and open the seals thereof:

for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood...And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders...

Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Revelations 5:9,11,12

He Received Power

He did not need power, He received it for us. He has always been the Almighty. Thus, power is available by the blood; you do not have to be a weakling anymore.

He Received Riches.

After the passover blood, Pharaoh surrendered the power. Then God gave Israel favour, and they spoiled the Egyptians - that is, the Israelites were decked with riches! When Jesus died, He repeated the same passover episode - by His blood. Power was delivered to us, which is to force our enemies to surrender (Psalm 66:2). By the blood, therefore, all our enemies surrender automatically.

Now concerning Israel in Exodus, after the blood made their enemies to surrender, favour gave them riches.

He Received Wisdom

Then came wisdom. Wisdom showed them the way to go. After they left Egypt, Pharaoh pursued after them. Face to face with the Red Sea, God's wisdom came to show them how to cross the sea without a bridge. By the blood, the wisdom of God is available for us in every conflict of life. Remember "Wisdom is profitable to direct" (Ecclesiastes 10:10).

He Received for us Strength

Strength, like that of an unicorn, was the portion of the children of Israel, as they journeyed through the wilderness to Canaan. None among their tribes was feeble. By the blood of Jesus, we can put an end to weakness in our bodies.

If the blood had such powerful effects in the Old Testament, now imagine its effects today. If the shadow was so powerful, imagine the reality of the covenant. You do not need to spend your money to tame sickness anymore. The blood is the answer! The blood is able to give you instant, on-the-spot deliverance from any form of sickness and disease.

He Received for us Honour

While the children of Israel journeyed through the wilderness, God gave them honour all the way. They did not need to beg anyone for anything. They were supernaturally provided for. They ate manna that they did not prepare by themselves. When they needed water, it came out of the rock for them.

He Received Glory

You have been justified, by the blood of Jesus, to live the glorious life. As those spies appeared to Rahab, she testified, "For we have heard..." (Joshua 2:10). Because He has received for you honour and glory, no one can despise or reject you anymore. People will begin to see the good hand of your God upon you. The price is paid for your liberty, and this price guarantees a glorious life. Look at the blood as the price for that glorious life. So, whatever

is not glorious in your life, you can challenge with the blood - the receipt of your purchase.

You have been bought with a price: (the Blood of Jesus) therefore glorify God in your body, and your spirit, which are God's.

I Corinthians 6:20

There is no attack of the devil that can cross the bloodline. Whatever does not carry the aroma of God in your life, challenge it with the blood.

And He Received Blessings

Who then can curse whom the Lord has blessed?

These are the manifold redemptive values of the blood. He was slain to receive these seven-fold blessings for us - to restore to us all that was lost in Adam. The blood is our resident permit in Eden!

A CATALOGUE OF THE RESTORATION PROCESS

1. You have been restored back to power, so you can break the chains of fear.
2. You have been restored back to riches, so you can break the yoke of poverty and nakedness.
3. You have been restored back to wisdom, so you can break the yoke of dull-headedness and the blindness the devil has put on your mind.
4. You have been restored back to strength, so you can destroy the yoke of weakness.
5. You have been restored back to honour, so you can destroy the yoke of any shame or reproach, and embrace dignity and integrity.
6. You have been restored back to glory; it is time to shine and not to be despised anymore.
7. You have been restored back to blessings, which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow to it, so you can live a sorrow-free life, and destroy the yoke of depression.

These seven seals add-up to greatness. We have access to greatness through the blood of Jesus. He has redeemed us from our low estate into the great heights of God.

Chapter 4 - THE TRIUMPH OF THE BLOOD

We are in the last days; we have to bring out our last days' weapon for our triumph. This is one of the most powerful significance of the blood of Jesus. It provides a supernatural access into the holiest of all, where you can feed on the manna that is in the golden pot.

ACCESS TO THE GOLDEN POT

The deep things of God are impossible to contact without the blood.

No matter what comes your way, weeping is not the answer.

And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose seven seals thereof.

And I beheld and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain...

Revelation 5:4-6

He was worthy because He was slain. The blood made Him worthy to take *the Book* and to remove the seal thereof.

There are many innocent and sincere believers who read and read, and struggle endlessly, yet *the Book* remains closed. Entrance into the mysteries contained in *the Book* (the Bible), is by the blood.

Friend, there is honey in *the Book*, there is water in it and there is meat in it. We have the water of the Word that cleanses. We have the milk of the Word, which helps you to grow and get on. We also have the meat of the Word that helps you to develop spiritual muscles. Then we have the honey of the Word, which establishes your expectation and consequently your destiny (Proverbs 24:13-14).

Access to it is by the blood. Never sit down to read *the Book* without pleading the blood of Jesus, for a supernatural access into the honey of it. It is the manna of fulfilment, the manna of accomplishment, the manna of exploits.

There is in the Holy of Holies, the ark of the covenant, the golden pot with manna inside it. No one gains access therein without the blood. Many of us have been eating the chaff of the Word, very few have ever tasted the manna in the golden pot. Without the blood, we stay in the outer court, and there is nothing golden in the outer court.

It is time to be tired of just the water and the bread. It is time to eat of the manna that is in the golden pot, which is in the ark of the covenant, placed in the Holy of Holies. You can only gain access by the blood of Jesus.

And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all,

Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the **golden pot that had manna**, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;

...But into (the) second went the high priest alone once every year, **not without blood**, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people.

Hebrews 9:3-7

There is a golden pot. It is for us who are under the better covenant based on better promises. We have taken enough chaff in the outer court! There is a menu in the inner court. Those who eat it never get feeble. When He fed them with the natural manna in the wilderness, none among their tribes was feeble, no wild beast could devour them, their clothes never wore out, neither were their legs swollen.

There is a manna in *the Book*; no one contacts it without the blood. The letter has no life in it. There is something behind it; there is a life that God has reserved. It is in the Holiest of all.

ACCESS TO THE HOLY OF HOLIES

To stand in revelations, to flow unhindered in the Word, to stand strong in your search for the truth and in the practice of the discoveries made, it takes the blood. The blood holds the key to a continuous communion with God, because it cleanses you and makes you acceptable to God. The blood provides for you an access into the Holy of Holies, where everything is golden and budding, where bread is also available and where the ark of God is seated.

It is your eternal inheritance to stand in the Holy of Holies, but not without the blood. You cannot stand in the presence of God effectively without the blood.

The Holy of Holies is the golden centre of worship. The priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. All the priests can get there. But the high priest had to go into the second, “*not without blood*”. To get into the things behind the veil, and be able to stand in them, is, “*not without blood*” (Hebrews 9:7).

But with the death of Jesus, the slavery ended. Through the blood of Jesus, access is now provided for all into the Holy of Holies. Everyone now has access to the things behind the veil, not only for discoveries but much more importantly, for the practice.

WORD - PRACTICE BY THE BLOOD

It is your eternal inheritance to enter into the Holy of Holies by the blood, and by entrance, you purge your conscience of every evil work (Hebrews 9:14), and you become supernaturally, divinely enabled to serve Him. However, when it comes to Word-practice, you and I cannot overcome by the water alone, that is, the things discovered in *the Book*.

There are things we know, yet we cannot get them done. So, we need the supernatural enabling in the blood, to keep the commandments of God. You have discovered them by the Spirit, you have to effect them by the blood. The Spirit of God reveals the Word, the blood of Jesus enables your performance of it.

All that the enemy is out for is to create enmity between you and God, by frustrating your efforts to keep God's Word. There are certain things you have discovered in the Word and you find out you just cannot do them, though you know it is the truth. The Spirit helped you to discover them but only the blood makes it possible for you to stand in them.

All your efforts in the flesh, all your intentions, all your good desires, are not strong enough to get you over. You need to take cover in the blood, for your sanctification and for a life of obedience to the Word of God.

There are outstanding discoveries we have made in *the Book*, and have been struggling to make them productive in our lives. It is not you not wanting to do the will of God, it is Satan standing to resist your doing it. When it is Satan, the blood is the requirement (Revelations 12:11). It takes the blood to keep His commandments. Even as you believe in the Word, you need to also believe in the blood that makes it produce.

To hearken and to observe is possible for us, but 'to do' is impossible without an aid. That aid is the blood.

There are forces stronger than we can contend with in our flesh, that challenge our determination to keep His commandments. But thank God the blood is here at last! It is God's blasting explosive, designed against every arrangement of hell, to make you and I miss our place in heaven.

The spirit can only be sanctified by the sprinkled blood, and obedience also is only possible by the sprinkled blood.

Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

I Peter 1:2

There is a provision made for the doing of what God's Word commands to be done. That provision is the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ. It multiplies grace and peace, because your spirit-man is sanctified and you are able to walk in obedience.

The blood is the only weapon that can reach the spirit-man. Your conscience cannot be purged by sweat, nor by tears, neither by works. It takes only the blood to sanctify the spirit of any man.

The state of Paul in Romans 7:15, is the natural state of every believer, no matter how saved he is - he is constantly under pressure of good and evil.

For that which I do I allow not for what I would, that do I not, but what I hate, that do I.

Romans 7:15

Until a man contacts God's provision for making the right choice and practising the right choice, he will not know freedom. Your spirit is sanctified, and you are able to walk in obedience, through the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus.

Truth will always triumph. But truth has to be acquired and put to work before it triumphs. Satan is no respecter of persons, and he is no respecter of places. So, be on guard and use the correct weapons to get him off.

NOT BY WATER ONLY

Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

I John 5:5-6

What is the witness of God? It is that the only people who will overcome are the people who believe in the water and the blood dimension of victory on the earth. It takes the water and the blood to keep the commandments of God. We have struggled a lot with the water only, but it takes the water and the blood to become a certified, chartered conquerors.

From the above scripture, it is clear that it is just impossible for man to overcome the hurdles of life, except he believes both in the water and the blood. The water tells him what is right and the blood enables him to do it. The water reveals to him what is wrong, then the blood enables him to overcome it.

SOLOMON

Solomon had the water. Wisdom flowed from his mouth effortlessly. But he did not become a certified overcomer, because it takes the water and the blood, and at that time, the blood had not come.

If anyone should have been free from immorality, it was Solomon. Because he had the most profound and maybe never-to-be-beaten insight into the causes and consequences of immorality, and how to escape, yet he became a victim of everything he taught. This is because the one that overcomes, is the one who believes that Jesus shed His blood and made it available to us, to reinforce the effect of the Word and establish our triumph on earth.

BALAAM

Balaam also was a man of waters. His tongue was divine, his insight was impeccable. yet, with that, he was dragged into perdition and destruction. He crossed the red mark and he was slain. It takes the water and the blood!

DANIEL

Daniel was a man of waters. He had the wisdom of the gods. He could dissolve doubts and make plain tough languages, yet he could not take delivery of the answer to his prayer, for twenty days. The water alone could not handle the conflicts. It required the water and the blood.

JOB

He was a man that feared God and walked uprightly. He knew what was required to please God. Then came Satan, and what he knew was not enough. He required the blood also, to put him over.

THE OLD TESTAMENT SAINTS

In the same light, Jesus had to go and preach to the Old Testament Saints in hades, so that those who walked in the fear of God while they were here on earth could now enjoy the blood of Jesus, to gain access into heaven.

Even in Leviticus 14:1-7, we see that it took the blood inside the water, in an earthen vessel, to cleanse the leper. If we go to John 19:34, we also see that when they pierced His side, with the sword, it was water and blood that came out.

Our eternal redemption is sealed in water and blood. You can have all the water (the Word), but until you have the water plus the blood, you are not getting anywhere. It is the water and the blood that bear witness of your triumph in the conflicts of life.

You need to hold the blood in your hand as a necessary, and not a religious, weapon, if you must remain an overcomer.

Take the blood with you, to stand strong in the Word!

Chapter 5 - THE UNBEATABLE TRINITY

We have the heavenly Trinity in the person of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and they hold the reins over the entire universe.

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

I John 5:7

We also have the Trinity on earth by whom dominion on earth is possible. It is the Spirit, the Word and the Blood.

And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

I John 5:8

The combination of these three forces, baptizes any man into dominion, makes him a king indeed, enthroned to reign on the earth. This is the witness of God. Let us receive it. With the Holy Spirit, the Water - which is the Word of God - and the Blood of Jesus, no devil in hell can harass you anymore.

This is the victory that overcomes the world - even our faith in the Spirit, the Water and the Blood. Nothing in the world, coming from the pit of hell, escapes them.

We do not have to be overcome. We have the witness of God, which is that it takes the Spirit, the Water and the Blood to be a certified overcomer. You cannot serve the living God successfully just by efforts; it has to be by the combination of forces prescribed by the Word.

This unbeatable Trinity is what is required, if you must be a witness indeed. You are a two third's (2/3) witness, if you are any at all, with just the Spirit and the Water. Even in laboratory experiments, it takes the presence of all the required elements for you to have your desired product.

You cannot be a witness on the earth, except by the combination of the forces of the Spirit, the Water and the Blood. You cannot be an authentic all-time, all-weather witness.

Jesus came, not only by water, not only with principles, He came also with the blood of the everlasting covenant that makes the principles effectual. Only by this unbeatable combination can we, as authentic witnesses of Christ, represent Him duly, fully and totally, in integrity, purity, sincerity and honesty.

The heavenly Trinity - Father, Son and the Holy Ghost-is unbeatable. Their dominion is from everlasting to everlasting. And just like this Trinity holds the heaven together, so we have the mystery Trinity holding the earth together - the Spirit, the Water and the Blood. These three agree in one. No force from hell can rout them. There is no conflict of life that can overthrow them. Dominion is impossible without these three forces actively involved in our lives. If you appreciate them and understand the way they function, the Bible says you will become a world overcomer. You do not only overcome in the issues of life, you also become an instrument for victory on the earth.

If we must overcome, it must be by the anointing, the Word of God and the blood of our covenant. These are the three principal forces that dominate, and guarantee victory, on the earth. This is the witness of God that He has testified of His Son; this is what He is standing by and it is His evidence. Nothing can escape the dominating authority of the Spirit, the Water and the Blood.

We find a glaring analogy of this truth in I Kings 19:17,

And it shall come to pass, that him that escapeth the sword of Hazeel shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay.

Even so, he that escapeth the sword of the Spirit, shall the sword of the Water slay and he that escapeth the sword of the Water, shall the sword of the Blood slay.

The blood is the last leg of the relay. It is God's last card! No devil escapes it! You can destroy any principality by the anointing, but when it comes to the devil himself, it requires the blood. There is nothing the devil can put together that can stand the efficacy of the blood of Jesus.

VICTORY BY THE BLOOD

The blood is our stronghold in battle. Turning to the blood is turning to the answer. The blood of the covenant will bring you out of every pit and every choking experience of life. By the blood of the Lamb, the prison gate is shattered and your liberty is established. Every time you turn to the blood, you become invincible, too strong to be defeated.

Because the devil has but a short time (Revelations 12:12), he is out to demonstrate the greatest wickedness ever. So, expect the most wicked manifestation from him, and at the same time, the brightest triumph for you, if you know how to use your weapons against his strategies. The Bible says in Revelations 12:11,

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony...

If they overcame by the blood, then we shall overcome by the blood. If the blood was relevant for victory in heaven, then it must be super relevant on the earth. You belong to the heavenly places; you are an ambassador here. In heaven, where you belong, the Bible says the devil will always be silenced by the blood. To silence him also in your affairs, lift up the blood banner.

No matter how angry the devil is towards you, the blood is enough to silence him.

Let us take cover in the blood!

TESTIMONIES OF VICTORY BY THE BLOOD

** “My baby was born breech. Every effort made to make him cry, after his birth, was fruitless. Then I remembered Bishop David Oyedepo once said that when we are face to face with the devil, we should show him the receipt of our redemption, which is the Blood of Jesus. So, I started pleading the blood of Jesus over the baby. To the glory of God, the child started crying, after having been so still for two hours.”*

- Sis. R. O.

** “I wrote my final bar exam and was expecting a good result. But when the results came out, I had a resit in one of the papers. I was stunned! When I was told, at the school, I stepped aside to a corner and I began to plead the Blood of Jesus. Not long after that, the same woman (a staff of the college) who broke the news to me, came running to me and told me that on going through the list of results, before it was to be published in the Newspapers, the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education said, ‘How come? This person did well in four papers, what could have happened in the fifth one?’ He then asked for my script, conducted an on-the-spot reassessment and gave me a pass mark!”*

- Bro. A. D.

** “The Bishop instructed that throughout the week, every word we speak should be backed-up by the blood of Jesus. This morning, I was the first person in my office. While opening the place, I said ‘God, I open this place by the blood of Jesus.’ We had some chemicals we had been unable to sell for some time. So, I anointed them and said, ‘I prophesy speedy sales by the blood of Jesus.’ Barely four hours later, some people came in and bought-up all the chemicals at the exact amount we told them to pay!”*

- Bro. I. P.

Chapter 6 - NOW USE IT!

The futility of human effort, for victory, is clear. “*For without me ye can do nothing.*” said the Lord in John 15:15. That means that the totality of your efforts, without Jesus, without the Word of God at work, equals zero. Our security lies in accepting the offers God has made for our freedom, for our redemption. Christ is our passover lamb. By His blood, you can cross over from Egypt to Canaan.

Now, every time you come under tension, declare a blood war, begin to fire and shoot blood missiles - “The blood of Jesus! The blood of Jesus!” - and you will see victory. That is what it takes to cross over. Every evil, every plague, every pestilence passes over you.

Faith is a fight. It is an instrument of war. Whatever is revealed in the Word of God is a weapon of war - for the Word of God is the Sword of the Spirit (Ephesians 6:17).

Faith is a fight, not a feeling. Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. So, whatever is revealed to you, is a weapon for victory placed in your hand.

We are face to face with the most effective and most devastating weapon of warfare. It is the blood of Jesus!

Nothing has ever been known to challenge its authority. Nothing has succeeded in challenging its power.

The blood of Jesus, is the seal of our victory in every conflict of life.

We are not just calling the blood, we are using it in battle. It is a weapon of war. If the devil fought in heaven and lost by the blood, he will also remain a loser by the blood here on earth.

Everything that is contrary to what God created, in your life, the enemy did it. You don't have enemies, you have only one enemy. His name is the devil. The Bible says, resist him steadfastly in the faith (I Peter 5:9) That is, believe what God says can deal with him and use it.

What has God said will silence the devil? It is the BLOOD. “*And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb...*” We will overcome the same way they overcame.

I would like you to see the devil behind that situation that will not open up in your life. It could not have been God. If it is not good, it is not God! For every good gift and every perfect gift comes from above (James 1:17).

If there is frustration in your life today, if you are suffering set-backs in your business, it is not God. God is not teaching you any lesson, the devil is cheating you for ignorance. He is behind everything that is not working. Until you discover him, you do not overcome him.

When the devil comes with depression or any form of oppression, just blast the atmosphere with the instrumentality of the blood, for all things are purged with the blood. Declare vehemently, “The blood of Jesus is against you, Satan!”

When Satan stood against Peter, he made the Word of God of no effect in his life; he destroyed his prayer access. So, Peter fell like a log of wood. He denied his master before a little girl (Matthew 26:69-70). The blood had not been shed then.

But with you and I now, the blood has been shed. There is no hiding place for our sins. By this we have the greatest strength of our dream in prayer and in the Word, and we have the greatest recorded victory in our Christian life.

It is not a thing to just know; it is a thing to use. You must know it, but if it stops at knowledge, then it is wasted. You must understand it, but if it stops at understanding, you will have nothing to show for it. But at the end of it all, it must be what you know how to use.

You must know how to use this wisdom that has been delivered unto you. Concerning the children of Israel in Exodus, if they only bought the lambs and shed the blood, and never applied it, the death angel would have struck them. There is no Satan that can resist the triumph of the blood in battle. “*And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb...*”

The Blood of Jesus, is God’s last card, and every devil automatically bows to it!